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SUBJECT: KYUNG IN POWER PROJECT--UNION OIL--POSSIBLE EXPRO-

PRIATORY ACTION

UNION OIL, WHICH HAS \$93.7 MILLION OF CURRENT OPIC EXPROPRIATION COVERAGE ON ITS INVESTMENT IN THE KYUNG IN POWER PROJECT, HAS JUST GIVEN OPIC NOTICE "OF A SITUATION WHICH COULD BECOME AN EXPROPRIATORY ACTION" UNDER THE OPIC CONTRACTS THOUGH UNION OIL STATES THAT IT HAS NO REASON TO BELIEVE THAT THE ROK INTENDS EXPROPRIATION. UNION NOTICE STATES THAT MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY ("MCI") HAS ESTABLISHED MAXIMUM SELLING PRICES FOR FUEL OIL WHICH ARE LOWER THAN THE PRICE PROVIDED FOR IN 1969 CONTRACT BETWEEN UNION OIL'S AFFILIATE, KYUNG IN ENERGY COMPANY ("KI"), AND KOREA ELECTRIC COMPANY. UNION PROPOSES THAT KI APPROACH MCI FOR PERMISSION TO SELL AND BE PAID AT PRICE PROVIDED FOR IN 1969 FUEL CONTRACT APPROVED BY MCI IN 1969. OPIC INFORMING UNION IT HAS NO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OBJECTION TO SUCH PROPOSAL. OPIC MADE NO COMMENT ON UNION

PROPOSAL TO RENEGOTIATE 1969 POWER CONTRACT SO THAT KI WOULD GET PRICE PERMITTED BY MCI PRICE ORDER WHICH WOULD BE HIGHER THAN PRICE PROVIDED FOR IN POWER CONTRACT.

POUCHING COPY OF UNION NOTICE AND OPIC REPLY FOR EMBASSY COMMENTS. DECONTROL 12/25/74. SISCO

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